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On behalf of the Board of Directors for The Pulsatile Tinnitus Foundation, Inc. (PTF), a 501(c)(3) public charity for which Dr. Aristides Sismanis served as a treasured Board member since its inception, and Whooshers.com, I sadly and formally acknowledge the passing earlier this year of our treasured colleague and friend.

Dr. Sismanis' pioneering efforts for the pulsatile tinnitus community were unmatched. PTF and Whooshers.com would likely not exist but for the clinical work and research Dr. Sismanis commanded decades ago and continued throughout his storied career.

It is understood – and unfortunate – that medical professionals often do not learn about the lives they have positively impacted once patients leave their offices. Let there be no doubt that Dr. Sismanis changed – and saved – many patients' lives. Decades ago, his novel recognition of pulsatile tinnitus as a symptom that warrants distinct observation, care, research and treatment altered the trajectory toward proper diagnosis and treatment for patients, internationally. His matchless loyalty to these principles only amplified over time, a legacy that is both inspiring and interminable.

Dr. Sismanis was far too humble to wholly accept the weight of his influence in medicine, or the many accolades that he earned as a result. Instead, he would often thank those who thanked him, while expressing great pride and fondness for the professional relationships he sustained. To his patients and colleagues, alike, Dr. Sismanis was genuinely supportive, uniquely approachable and extraordinarily generous with his time and knowledge.

With sincere gratitude, we will miss Ari. His accomplishments continue to guide and empower our community, of which he remains an integral member, eternally. In his honor, we will lean on his exemplary devotion to his field and continue to advance his commitment for keeping pulsatile tinnitus on the radar while supporting research and each other.

And we will do so with a smile, just as he always did.

Emma Greenwood
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